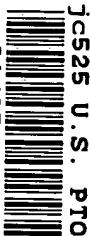


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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir: This is a request for filing a Continuation application under 37 CFR 1.60, of pending prior application Serial No. 08/602,379, filed on February 16, 1996, for CUTTING DIE AND METHOD OF FORMING.

1. XXX Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy. (See #14).
2. A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
3. XXX The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED, PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED, BY AMENDMENT BELOW

For:	(Col. 1) No. Filed	(Col. 2) No. Extra	Small Entity		Large Entity	
			Rate	Fee	Rate	Fee
Basic Fee:				395		790
Total Claims:	<u>12-20</u> =	--	X \$11	---	X \$22	
Independent Claims:	<u>1-3</u> =	--	X \$41	---	X \$82	
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented:			+ \$135	---	+ \$270	
			TOTAL:	---	TOTAL:	\$790

4. XXX Enclosed is a check for \$790. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.
6. XXX Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a Continuation application pending prior application Serial No. 08/602,379, filed on February 16, 1996, for CUTTING DIE AND METHOD OF FORMING.

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7. Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
8. Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.
9. X New drawings are enclosed.
10. Priority of application Serial No. filed on is claimed under 35 USC 119.

The certified copy has been filed in the prior application Serial No. , filed .

11. XXX The prior application is assigned of record to Bernal International, Inc.
12. XXX The power of attorney in the prior application is to: David S. Stallard, WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P., 2700 Carew Tower, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.
- a. XXX The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. Since the power does not appear in the original appears, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. XXX Address all future communications to: David S. Stallard, WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P. 2700 Carew Tower, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.
13. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
14. XXX I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 08/602,379, filed on February 16, 1996, for CUTTING DIE AND METHOD OF FORMING.
15. Also enclosed: Early Notification of Serial Number Postcard; Certificate of Express Mailing.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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